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News**Notes**

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Enough certified seed of Ranger alfalfa to plant 20 percent of the alfalfa acreage in the northern region and of certified Buffalo alfalfa to plant 10 percent of the acreage in central and southeastern states are expected to be available for 1951 planting, the Production and Marketing Administration reports.

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With currently adequate stockpiles of many food crops, farmers may well start this fall to redouble their efforts to stockpile plant food reserves in the soil, the Production and Marketing Administration emphasizes.

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The U. S. Department of Agriculture has made available approximately 5.8 million pounds of frozen, dressed turkeys for distribution to non-profit school lunch programs. These turkeys represent the remainder of the quantity acquired by the USDA in carrying out the final phase of the 1949 turkey price support program.

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The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced that 1951 crop flaxseed will be supported at an average price of \$2.65 per bushel.

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Continued stockpiling of fertility reserves in the nation's farm land to insure ample production of food and fiber is stressed in the 1951 Agricultural Conservation Program recently announced by Ralph S. Trigg, Administrator of the Production and Marketing Administration, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

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"Soil erosion cannot be isolated as an individual problem. It is one important aspect of soil use and management for sustained production." - Dr. Charles E. Kellogg, Chief, Division of Soil Survey, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

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